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## House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PASTOR of Arizona).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

June 16, 2010.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ED PASTOR to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### PRAYER

Rabbi Joshua Davidson, Temple Beth El of Northern Westchester, Chappaqua, New York, offered the following prayer:

O God, source of the spirit of living things, You created humanity with all its diversity in Your image and placed us upon this Earth to tend it, guiding us along whichever spiritual path we call our own toward goodness and peace.

In this great Hall where dreams come true, we ask Your blessing upon these men and women, these representatives of the people. They have devoted their lives to our welfare. Strengthen them with Your courage. Inspire them as they answer Isaiah's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked, to lift up those in this land and in all lands who cannot stand on their own.

In this Chamber of debate, may every debate be for the sake of justice, and may justice always be tempered with compassion. May this House be home to the hopes and aspirations of every American, and may America shine as an example to all the world.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the

last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New York (Mr. HALL) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HALL of New York led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 3951. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Louisiana Avenue in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the "Roy Rondeno, Sr. Post Office Building".

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 111-5, the Chair, on behalf of the Republican Leader, appoints the following individual to the Health Information Technology Policy Committee:

Richard Chapman of Kentucky.

### WELCOMING RABBI JOSHUA DAVIDSON

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from New York, Congressman HALL, is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. HALL of New York. I am pleased to welcome Rabbi Joshua Davidson, Senior Rabbi of Temple Beth El in Northern Westchester, New York, as our guest chaplain in the House today.

Rabbi Davidson is joined here today by his wife, Mia; their daughter, Mikaela; his aunt, Greer Goldman; and his in-laws, Carol and David Fram.

Rabbi Davidson is president of the Westchester Board of Rabbis. He has served Temple Beth El since 2002, and before that served at the Central Synagogue in New York City. He has a long, distinguished career, serving on the boards of many charitable organizations, interfaith coalitions, and prestigious Jewish organizations.

He served as the chair of the Central Conference of the American Rabbis' Committee on Justice, Peace, and Religious Liberties, vice chair of the Commission on Social Action of Reform Judaism. He currently chairs the commission's task force on Israel and World Affairs. Rabbi Davidson is a member of the Hebrew Union College President's Rabbinic Council, and serves on the Clergy Advisory Board of Interfaith Impact of New York State.

House chaplains are a long, proud tradition in the House of Representatives, dating back to the time of our Founding Fathers, and Rabbi Davidson is a worthy entry into the long roll of distinguished guests.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 further requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### THE WARMEST JANUARY TO APRIL EVER

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, back in February, when Washington was slammed with record-breaking snowstorms, many of my Republican colleagues stood on this very floor and

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